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Larry the Cable Guy to Stop Traffic

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Closed streets if you live in downtown Glen Ellyn and Westmont.

Comedian Larry The Cable Guy next week will be filming scenes for his upcoming movie "Witless Protection" in both communities.

In Glen Ellyn, that will mean blocking off Main Street to vehicular traffic, from Pennsylvania Avenue to Duane Street. Police say Crescent Boulevard also will be closed between Glenwood and Forest avenues.

The Wednesday road closures are needed so the movie's cast and crew can film a parade scene.

However, residents are encouraged to come out and be in the background, village officials said.

Michael Perich, owner of CAMP Cosmetics in downtown Glen Ellyn, said the movie shoot should bring more people to the area.

"I think it's cool," he said. "It's good publicity for Glen Ellyn."

In the movie, Larry The Cable Guy plays a small-town sheriff who comes to the aid of a woman in the federal Witness Protection Program who he believes is in danger. So he kidnaps the woman, played by Ivana Milicevic, and drives her from Mississippi to Chicago so she can testify in a trial.

On Tuesday, part of the film will be shot from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. inside Uncle Bub's BBQ in Westmont. Eight movie trucks, three makeup trucks and three costume vehicles will be stationed outside the Westmont barbecue restaurant.

"There hasn't been a movie filmed in Westmont in over 20 years," said Mark Link, owner of Uncle Bub's BBQ. "I think it's going to be pretty neat. It doesn't happen too often, that's for sure."